

DETERMINATION WINS

Salem Pianist Vies in Contest; Wins Study Course

Being a busy homemaker with three young children to look after did not keep Kathryn Winkel Smith, Salem pianist, from following her special interest in music, nor deter her from invading metropolitan San Francisco to try out for a scholarship.

As result the talented local musician has placed second in a scholarship contest at the Schmitz School of Piano in San Francisco, the announcement being made Saturday. The school, requiring the highest standards, is conducted by Prof. E. Robert Schmitz, world-renowned concert and recording artist, writer and teacher.

A special student with Prof. Ralph Dobbs at Willamette university last year, Mrs. Smith is recognized by music leaders here as a recreative musical artist with exceptional interpretive ability.

Her unusual career attracted the personal interest of Professor Schmitz.

Quality of technique and interpretation, displayed in the performance of a varied selection of classical piano compositions, was the basis on which a panel of 15 expert judges made awards of scholarships for an intensive six-week special summer session beginning July 5. Mrs. Smith's award, gained in a rigorous contest with 14 other pianists, was a full course of pianoforte technique and theory at the special session, including 20 master lessons.

Studies As Child

Mrs. Smith's interest in music began in childhood and as a child in Bremerton, Wash., Mrs. Smith studied piano and organ with Prof. Herbert Oldham and frequently played in local concerts. Prof. Oldham, who before settling in Bremerton had had a long musical career in England, Canada, and the United States as a professional organist and artist accompanist, and as a teacher in musical conservatories, early recognized that he had a gifted pupil. On his recommendation, and with her mother's consent and approval, Kathryn left school after completing the eighth grade and spent three years in concentrated musical study. During this period, she performed regularly as pianist and organist, in solo numbers and in duets with Prof. Oldham, at the First Methodist church in Bremerton.

Entering high school as a fifteen-year-old freshman, Mrs. Smith soon surmounted the handicap of her long scholastic vacation, and graduated four years later as one of the most popular members of her class. In high school, she was known as a skilled pianist, placing superior in a state music contest, and playing frequently on Seattle radio broadcasts. With her three younger sisters, whom she trained herself, Mrs. Smith formed a vocal quartet which became a local musical attraction.

Promise of a brilliant musical career appeared to be thwarted by marriage and children. But Mrs. Smith continued to study and practise, teaching herself from textbooks, listening analytically to recordings of piano masters, spending long hours in arduous practise, performing as accompanist and soloist for various musical events, and serving as pianist at the Charleston Baptist church. Whenever family welfare and fortunes permitted, she studied for brief periods with outstanding teachers, including Gene Fiset of Seattle.

Children Study, Too

Since coming to Salem in 1945, Mrs. Smith has continued her own study, and has launched two of her three children on musical careers of their own. Peter, aged 8, and Kathryn, 10, are both students of Miss Margaret Hogg and receive daily supplementary lessons from their mother. Kathryn has already given proof of talent, rating high in state syllabus examinations held in 1948 and 1949, and giving her first solo



Kathryn Winkel Smith

concert last May just before her tenth birthday. Bazi, aged 13, though more interested in baseball, is an avid listener to symphonic music, and is developing an encyclopedic knowledge of composers' lives and works. Richard D. Smith is the unmusical but appreciative husband and father of this musical family, who reside at 955 Hoyt Avenue.

Mrs. Smith, whose ambition is to live a full and rich life—to learn the good and teach it to others—believes that music is part of a philosophical education. Her work at the Schmitz School of Piano, through arrangements with the San Francisco State college, will add to the store of credits she is gradually accumulating toward a college degree. While in San Francisco, she is staying at the home of her sister, Mrs. Phillip Chick.

Reunion, Picnic Sunday Afternoon

A reunion for relatives of Mr. and Mrs. James C. Jones, Sr. was held Sunday in Silver Creek Falls park, 33 attending the picnic dinner.

Mrs. Hattis Warner of Atlantic, Ga., sister of Mr. Jones, was among out-of-town visitors at the event. She is spending the summer in Oregon.

Present for the reunion were Mrs. Warner; Mr. and Mrs. Day D. Parkhill, Sr.; and Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Parkhill, Jr., and daughter, all of Kelso, Wash.; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Sage and son of Tacoma; Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. Byron D. Bennett and son, Miss Helen Bennett and Elmo Aldrich, all of Springfield; and from Salem, Mr. and Mrs. Courtney Jones and Linda, Mr. and Mrs. Daryl Jones, Don Jones, Miss Jean Clement, Mr. and Mrs. James Falk and Janet, Shanna and Jimmy Jones, Mrs. Nila Grimes, Mrs. Douglas Armstrong, Mrs. Nannie Martin, and Mr. and Mrs. James C. Jones, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. James C. Jones, Sr. and Mrs. Warner left Monday for a two weeks trip to Yosemite park, Calif.

MR. AND MRS. C. H. Holcomb have returned to Salem after spending several months with family and friends in South Dakota and other mid-western states. They also have been at Village Adair where their son, Keith, has lived while attending Oregon State college. He was one of five agricultural engineers graduated, all veterans, and now he is located with his family at Hillsboro, employed by the Tualatin Valley Cooperative association.

VISITORS here include Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dunlap, and daughter, Ann, of East Lansing, Mich. who are guests at the home of Mrs. Dunlap's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Foley.

Mr., Mrs. Haag To Entertain

The annual picnic gathering given by Mr. and Mrs. Rollin Haag at their Croisan Creek home for the younger married group will be Saturday evening next, some 40 to attend the no-host supper.

A spaghetti dinner is planned followed by dancing and games. From out-of-town will be Mr. and Mrs. Bland Simmons and Mr. and Mrs. John M. Jerman of Portland.

Miss Foat Bride-Elect

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Foat announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Glenna Foat, to Cpl. Raymond Coursey, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Coursey, all of Salem.

No wedding date has been set. Both Miss Foat and Cpl. Coursey are graduates of Salem high school. Miss Foat is now with the state industrial accident commission. Cpl. Coursey who is in the air corps, took his basic training at San Antonio, Texas, and McChord field at Hamilton field, Calif.

Miss McTigret Is Recent Bride

Turner—The wedding of Miss Beatrice McTigret, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ollie McTigret of Turner, and Leo L. Wheadon, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Wheadon of Brownsville, was an event of June 12 in the Turner Christian church. The double ring ceremony was performed by the Rev. Gilbert Carey, before an altar banked with white baskets of blue and white delphiniums and pink snapdragons.

Preceding the ceremony, Mrs. Carol Meshelle sang with Mrs. Margaret Boyer as accompanist and also playing the wedding marches. Miss Kathryn Van Osdol and Miss Katherine Hale were the candlelighters, wearing white dresses with corsages of yellow rosebuds.

The bride's white satin gown was fashioned princess style, with sweetheart neck and long train. Her veil was edged in wide lace, and she carried a white Bible topped with an orchid and shower of white bouvardia.

Miss Margaret Ann Prather was maid of honor and wore pale green moire taffeta with matching mitts. Her bouquet was of white roses and pink bouvardia. Bridesmaids were Miss Dixie Davenport and Miss Patricia Tomlinson, wearing frocks of green and blue marquisette, and carrying bouquets of pink roses and bouvardia.

Lorene McTigret, young sister of the bride, was ring bearer, wearing a blue organdy dress and carrying the ring on a white satin pillow. Her corsage was of pink rosebuds and sweetpeas. Harold Heater of Brownsville was best man, and Edwin Ball and Jack Vickers were the ushers.

Mrs. McTigret wore an aqua crepe for her daughter's wedding and a corsage of Tallman rosebuds and bouvardia. Mrs. Wheadon wore a flowered print crepe and a corsage of Rapture roses and bouvardia.

At the reception following in the church parlors, Mrs. Ivan Royce cut the wedding cake, and Mrs. James Versteeg and Mrs. Vance Hitt poured. Miss Dorothy Mitchell had charge of the guest book, and Miss Marlene Tracy of the gifts table.

For going away the bride wore a navy blue suit with white accessories and a white orchid corsage. The couple spent a honeymoon in Sacramento, Calif. and are now residing in Turner.

INVITATIONS have been received for the marriage of Miss Dolores Jean Brennan to Ronald C. Walter, the service to be the afternoon of Sunday, August 7, at 2 o'clock in the St. Andrew's Catholic church, Pasadena, Calif. The bride-elect formerly lived in Salem.

Schurr-Traeger Wedding At Mt. Angel, Saturday

Mt. Angel—At a ceremony performed in St. Mary's Catholic church, Miss Mary Traeger was married to Jack Schurr, son of Mrs. Charles Bochsler, Saturday morning July 2 at 9 o'clock when they spoke their vows at a double ring ceremony in a setting of pink and white larkspur.

Rev. Father Damian, O.S.B. officiated at the nuptial high mass and read the marriage rites, before a large gathering of relatives and friends. Serving at the mass were Francis Traeger and James Traeger, brother and cousin to the bride, and Richard Wellman and Johnny Bochsler, friends of the bridegroom. Miss Helen Keber played the wedding music. Laura Schwab and Dorothy Prosser sang preceding the mass and at the offertory. Raymond Terhaar sang at the close of the services. Sister Mary Antoinette Traeger, O.S.B., of convent Queen of Angels, Mt. Angel, sister of the bride, was present for the church services.

The couple chose for their wedding date the same as that of the bridegroom's grandparents, July 2, married 51 years ago. The bridegroom's grandmother planned on coming from Bloomfield, Neb., but due to illness was unable to attend.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Traeger and was given in marriage by her father. Her wedding gown was white marquisette over satin, fashioned with buttons down the center back to the waist line, bands of applied daisies on the round neckline, on the long pointed sleeves and outlining the tiered gathered flounces of the skirt that terminated in a long train. Her fingertip veil of illusion was held by a coronet and she carried a white prayer book topped by a white orchid and satin streamers.

Miss Geraldine Traeger, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Her gown was of light blue marquisette with peplum. She wore matching mitts and picture hat with a row of pink and blue ribbon flowers.

Miss Margaret Traeger, sister of the bride and Miss LaVonne Frey, cousin of the bridegroom were bridesmaids. They wore baby-pink dresses with cap sleeves, roun neckline and gathered floor length skirts. Each wore matching mitts and picture hat with a row of pink and blue ribbon flowers, and each carried a bouquet identical to that of the maid of honor, a crescent of pink and white carnations, rosebuds, and Esther Reed daisies.

Lawrence Bochsler served as best man for his brother, Leo Traeger, and Raymond Hauth were groomsmen, and ushers were Vincent Traeger and Norbert Bochsler.

The bride's mother wore a navy blue dress with white accessories and her corsage was

Shower for Bride-Elect

Miss Phyllis Freres, who is to be married July 16 to Marvin Goodman, will be honored at a shower and party for which Mrs. Merrill D. Ohling and her daughter, Miss Sara Ann Ohling, are to entertain on Friday evening at their home. The shower will be a miscellaneous one. A late supper will follow an informal evening.

Guests will include Miss Freres and her mother, Mrs. T. G. Freres of Stayton, Mrs. Robert Bailey, Mrs. Charles Winkler, Mrs. Fred S. Anunson, Jr., Mrs. Robert Scott, Mrs. Herbert Lucas, Mrs. Richard Spooner, Mrs. Henry Ercoline, Miss Bettie Olson of Milwaukie, Miss Donna Adams, Miss Marilee Olson and Miss Barbara MacDuffee, all of Portland, Miss Carolyn Carson, Miss Addy Lane, Miss Patricia Burrell, Miss Evelyn Johnson, Miss Lois Mulcahy, Miss Edith Fairham, Miss Avis Roberts, Miss Barbara Miller and Miss Maxine Meyers.

Breakfast was served at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bochsler, parents of the bridegroom, for the bridal party. Dinner was served at the Mt. Angel hotel to the bridal party. Rev. Damian Jentges and about 30 guests. The bride's table was decorated in gladioluses, and lighted white tapers guarded a large four tiered wedding cake. Serving the guests were Miss Dolores Gamble, cousin of the bride and Miss Mary Ann Frey, cousin of the bridegroom.

A large reception was held during the afternoon at the St. Mary's dining hall. Mrs. Edward Schiedler and Miss Monica Traeger, sisters of the bride, cut the cake. Miss Rose Hauth and Miss Rita Schultz opened the gifts. Miss Bertha Ann Hasing, passed the guest book. Pouring and serving the guests were the Misses Annella Bauman, Rosella Gooley, Lois Beyer and Dorothy Schiedler.

Miss Ingram Wed in June

Woodburn—Nuptial mass at Holy Rosary church in Portland united in marriage Miss Patricia Claire Ingram, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold P. Ingram of Woodburn, to Morris E. Kavanaugh, son of Mr. and Mrs. William V. Kavanaugh of Portland, June 18. The Rev. T. A. Feucht read the marriage vows, and conducted the mass.

Mr. Ingram gave his daughter in marriage. She wore a white dotted Swiss dress with train and a fingertip length veil, and carried white irises. Matron of honor was Mrs. Eugene Dowler, in pink dotted Swiss and picture hat. Mrs. Edwin Rice in turquoise, was the bridesmaid.

Best man for Mr. Kavanaugh was Jackson Lee Morrow and ushers were Fred Biethan, Robert Stevenson, Albert Stevens, Harry Krombeln, William Kavanaugh and Jack Kavanaugh.

A reception was held following the ceremony at the Holt Rosary hall with Mrs. Norman Reifsnider and Mrs. Harold Lipton assisting.

Mr. and Mrs. Kavanaugh are now at home at 815 S.E. Washington street.

THE MACCABEES have planned a no-host supper at Olinger park Thursday at 6:30 o'clock. If it is raining the event will be in the hall. The regular meeting will be in the hall at 8 p.m. at which time folk dancing will be practiced.

AMONG Eugene folk in Salem, Tuesday were Judge and Mrs. Fred Fisk, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh P. Ford and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Richards.

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